

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated November 19, 2007. Applicant has amended claims 55, 58-60, 62, 63, 69, 164-166, 172 and 173. Applicant has also cancelled claims 1-54, 57, 61, 74-79, 81-155, 158-163, 167-171 and 174-177. Claims 65, 80 and 157 were previously cancelled. Applicant has also added new claims 178-220. Claims 55, 56, 58-60, 62-64, 66-73, 156, 164-166, 172, 173 and 178-220 are pending.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 61-63 and 69 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant thanks the Examiner for this indication of allowability.

In this Amendment, Applicant has amended independent claim 55 to include all subject matter recited by allowable claim 61 and any intervening claims. Consequently, independent claim 55 and the claims dependent therefrom are in condition for allowance.

In this Amendment, Applicant has amended allowable claims 63 and 69, and has included all subject matter recited by the base claims and any intervening claims on which these claims depend. Consequently, claims 63 and 69 and the claims dependent therefrom are in condition for allowance.

New Claims

Applicant has added new claims 178-220 by way of this Amendment. Each of new claims 178-220 depends, either directly or indirectly, from one of allowable independent claims 63 and 69. New claims 178-220 essentially provide, for each of the new, allowable independent claims 63 and 69, a duplicate of the set of dependent claims that depended from claim 55 as previously presented. As such, new claims 178-220 add no new matter, raise no new issues, and require no further search. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment, including new claims 178-220

CONCLUSION

All claims in this application are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt allowance of all pending claims. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 50-1778. The Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney to discuss this application.

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January 24, 2008

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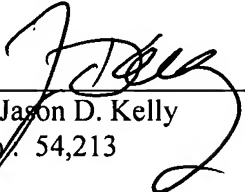
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